REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

After the foregoing Amendment, claims 1, 4-11, 14-21 and 24-48 are pending in this application. Claims 1, 11, 21, 47 and 48 have been amended to incorporate subject matter deemed allowable by the Examiner. Claims 2, 3, 12, 13, 22 and 23 have been canceled without prejudice. The Applicants submit that no new matter has been added by the Amendment.

Allowable Subject Matter

The Examiner is thanked for indicating that claims 31-46 are allowed, and that claims 3-10, 13-20 and 23-30 include subject matter allowable over the prior art of record.

Claim 1 has been amended to incorporate the features of canceled claims 2 and 3. Because the Examiner has indicated that claim 3 includes subject matter that is allowable over the prior art of record, Applicants submit that independent claim 1 and its dependent claims 4-10 are allowable over the prior art of record.

Claim 11 has been amended to incorporate the features of canceled claims 12 and 13. Because the Examiner has indicated that claim 13 includes subject matter that is allowable over the prior art of record, Applicants submit that independent claim 11 and its dependent claims 14-20 are allowable over the prior art of record.

Claim 21 has been amended to incorporate the features of canceled claims 22 and 23. Because the Examiner has indicated that claim 23 includes subject matter that is allowable over the prior art of record, Applicants submit that independent claim 21 and its dependent claims 24-30 are allowable over the prior art of record.

Claims 47 and 48 have been amended to incorporate the features of canceled claims 2, 3, 12, 13, 22 and 23. Because the Examiner has indicated that claims 2, 3, 12, 13, 22 and 23 include subject matter that is allowable over the prior art of

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record, Applicants submit that independent claims 47 and 48 are allowable over the prior art of record.

Conclusion

It is respectfully submitted that pending claims 1, 4-11, 14-21 and 24-48 are in condition for allowance. Accordingly, reconsideration and allowance of pending claims 1, 4-11, 14-21 and 24-48 are respectfully requested.

If the Examiner does not believe that the claims are in condition for allowance, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned at 215-568-6400.

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